
COLUMBIA RIVER ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

January 28, 2020

The following action was taken:

<i>2020 Mainstem Commercial Smelt Fishery</i>	
Season:	Mondays and Thursdays (5 AM to 5 PM) from February 3 through February 27.
Area:	Zones 1-3
Gear:	Gillnet only. Mesh size may not exceed two inches stretch measure. Nets may not exceed 1,500 feet in length along the cork line.
Allowable Sales:	Smelt
Misc. Regulations:	Multiple net rule in effect: Which means nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater. 24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-315. Oregon buyers are required to electronically submit fish receiving tickets pursuant to OAR 635-006-0210. Electronic fish tickets must be submitted within 24 hours of closure of the fishing period, or within 24 hours of landing for fishing periods lasting more than 24 hours.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Compact hearing is scheduled for 10 AM February 11, 2020 via teleconference to consider Select Area (winter-summer) and treaty commercial fisheries.
- A Joint State hearing is scheduled for 10 AM February 19, 2020 at the Shilo Inn (11707 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR) to consider mainstem Columbia River recreational spring Chinook fisheries.